

STATE OF TASMANIA.
MONTHLY STATISTICS - DECEMBER-JANUARY, 1945.

RAILWAYS. (Four weekly Basis from 1.10.1944).

| | | 1943 | 1944 | 1944 | 1944 |
|--|------|----------|---------|----------|----------|
| | | December | October | November | December |
| Gross Revenue | £ | 81,088 | 66,537 | 63,420 | 78,148 |
| Working costs, excl. Interest | £ | 87,373 | 75,824 | 67,522 | 82,908 |
| Train miles run (incl. Rail Motor) No. | | 180,321 | 165,154 | 165,831 | 173,847 |
| Passenger Journeys | No. | 305,925 | 299,480 | 304,748 | (a) |
| Goods and Live Stock | Tons | 79,457 | 77,512 | 70,316 | 76,541 |

(a) Not available.

ELECTRIC POWER - Units generated by

| | 1944 | 1944 | 1945 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| | January | December | January |
| Hydro-Electric Department | 59,342,000 | 58,533,340 | 56,180,960 |
| Other Plants | 5,229,132 | 4,388,632 | 4,213,288 |
| Total units | 64,571,132 | 62,921,972 | 60,394,248 |
| Units supplied to Hobart Metropolitan area: | 34,570,200 | 35,453,567 | 35,445,400 |
| " " " Launceston & Suburbs | 2,703,666 | 2,795,840 | 2,876,056 |

EMPLOYMENT. Number of employees stated to be on the last payroll in the month of
All employers making Payroll Tax Returns.

| Particulars | December, 1943 | | | December, 1944 | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|---------|--------|----------------|---------|--------|
| | Males | Females | Total | Males | Females | Total |
| Private Employers: | | | | | | |
| Primary Industries | 1,376 | 195 | 1,571 | 1,381 | 223 | 1,604 |
| Mining and Quarrying | 2,717 | 34 | 2,751 | 2,598 | 34 | 2,632 |
| Factories & Industrial | 10,990 | 4,155 | 15,145 | 11,431 | 4,117 | 15,548 |
| Building & Construction | 748 | 25 | 773 | 685 | 25 | 710 |
| Transport & Communication | 2,162 | 102 | 2,264 | 2,305 | 102 | 2,407 |
| Commerce & Finance | 4,244 | 3,204 | 7,448 | 4,330 | 3,287 | 7,617 |
| Other Industries | 711 | 1,319 | 2,030 | 720 | 1,262 | 1,982 |
| Total Private Employers | 22,948 | 9,034 | 31,982 | 23,450 | 9,050 | 32,500 |
| Govt. & Semi-Governmental: | | | | | | |
| Total Government | 8,492 | 2,142 | 10,634 | 7,949 | 2,209 | 10,158 |
| Grand Total All Returns | 31,440 | 11,176 | 42,616 | 31,399 | 11,259 | 42,658 |

REAL ESTATE STATISTICS.

| | 1944 | | 1944 | | 1945 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|----------|--------|---------|
| | January | | December | | January |
| | No. | £ | No. | £ | No. |
| Value of Land Transfers | 191 | 128,932 | 205 | 84,813 | 220 |
| " " Mortgages Registered | 62 | 54,376 | 64 | 35,005 | 70 |
| " " " Discharged | 104 | 46,777 | 115 | 50,404 | 151 |
| " " " partially Disch. | 7 | 2,025 | 8 | 586 | 11 |
| Registered Under Deeds Act, | | | | | |
| Value of Conveyances | 40 | 24,753 | 95 | 66,321 | 83 |
| " " Mortgages | 19 | 51,021 | 38 | 23,277 | 36 |
| " " Reconveyances | 34 | 23,332 | 65 | 48,366 | 66 |

SAVINGS BANK DEPOSITS.

| | 1944 | 1944 | 1945 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | January | December | January |
| Commonwealth Savings Bank | £4,195,667 | £5,351,169 | £5,444,194 |
| Trustee Savings Banks - Hobart, L'ton | 8,666,786 | 10,185,806 | 10,282,840 |
| | 12,862,453 | 15,536,975 | 15,727,034 |

BANK CLEARINGS.

| | 1944 | 1944 | 1945 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | January | December | January |
| Hobart | 4,092,291 | 4,018,808 | 4,946,391 |
| Launceston | 2,211,232 | 1,700,709 | 2,195,643 |

BUTTER PRODUCTION.

| | 1944 | 1944 | 1944 | 1944 | 1945 |
|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | January | October | November | December | January |
| Butter lb. | 997,683 | 1,049,257 | 1,296,426 | 1,301,873 | 1,170,903 |

FINANCE. January 1944 and 1945.

Consolidated Revenue Fund.

| Receipts | | | | Payments | | | |
|--|----------|------------|------------|----------|----------|-------------------------------|------------|
| January | | 7 months | | January | | 7 months | |
| 1944 | 1945 | 1943-44 | 1944-45 | 1944 | 1945 | 1943-44 | 1944-45 |
| £190,799 | £277,341 | £1,736,061 | £1,834,286 | £206,878 | £333,507 | £2,050,327 | £2,271,449 |
| Excess of Payments over Receipts 7 months ended 31st. January, 1945: | | | | | | £437,163 | |
| " | " | " | " | " | " | 31st. January, 1944: £314,266 | |

MOTOR REGISTRATIONS. (Exclusive of Commonwealth-Owned Vehicles of Civil and Defence Services) - January, 1945.

| | Lorries etc. | Utilities | Motor Cycles | Cars & Other Vehicles |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| No. on Register at 1.1.1945 | 3,561 | 2,962 | 2,612 | 16,923 |
| Lapsed Registrations | 262 | 192 | 154 | 1,057 |
| | 3,299 | 2,770 | 2,458 | 15,866 |
| Registrations - January, 1944. | | | | |
| New Vehicles | 25 | - | - | 4 |
| Used Vehicles | 316 | 300 | 216 | 1,348 |
| No. on Register end January, 1945: | 3,640 | 3,070 | 2,674 | 17,218 |
| No. on Register end January, 1944: | 3,216 | 2,684 | 2,489 | 16,250 |

RETAIL PRICES INDEX NUMBERS

| | Food and Groceries (6 Capitals in 1923-27 as Base = 1000) | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | 1944 January | 1944 November | 1944 December | 1945 January |
| Hobart | 1035 | 1049 | 1019 | 1025 |
| Launceston | 989 | 998 | 974 | 980 |
| Burnie | 1084 | 1025 | 1004 | 1002 |
| Devonport | 1032 | 1027 | 1001 | 1002 |
| Queenstown | 1120 | 1157 | 1129 | 1133 |
| Weighted Average 5 towns, Tasmania | 1025 | 1036 | 1008 | 1013 |
| Rosebery | 1149 | 1136 | 1108 | 1110 |

COMMONWEALTH SALES TAX.

| | Net Sales of Taxable and Exempt Goods. £ | Net Taxable Sales £ | Sales Tax Collected £ |
|----------|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1944. | | | |
| January | 810,376 | 257,178 | 32,675 |
| November | 886,490 | 288,850 | 41,208 |
| December | 844,654 | 323,925 | 42,826 |
| 1945. | | | |
| January | 866,725 | 313,110 | 42,707 |

BUILDING PERMITS. February 1944 and 1945.

| Month | New Buildings for Habitation | | New Buildings for Other Purposes | | Alterations and Additions | | Totals | |
|----------|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|------------|---------|------------|
| | Permits | Contract | Permits | Contract | Permits | Contract | Permits | Contract |
| | No. | Price £ | No. | Price £ | No. | Price £ | No. | Price £ |
| 1945. | | | | | | | | |
| February | 2 | 2,168 | 5 | 260 | 18 | 5,671 | 25 | 8,099 |
| 1944. | | | | | | | | |
| February | 1 | 500 | 4 | 150 | 9 | 976 | 14 | 1,626 |

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